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TITLE OF INVENTION: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION AND RECONNAISSANCE COUPLED WITH PROTECTION OF THE AUDITORY SYSTEM

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